

# SOUTHERN UNION WORKER

"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work."

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## With the Men Behind the Books

### The Publishing House Family

AT DIFFERENT times during the past few months there have appeared in the WORKER pictures of the "Men Behind the Books" who are selling them throughout the Southern Union Conference. It has occurred to us that perhaps the readers of the WORKER would be interested in seeing a photograph of

Pfeiffer, foreman of composing room; W. A. Harvey, superintendent; M. F. Knox, secretary and treasurer; R. L. Pierce, general manager; L. A. Smith, vice-president, and editor of *The Watchman*; J. L. McConaughey, circulation manager of *The Watchman*; Charles Blackburn, shipping clerk; A. L. Nay, engineer; and W. A. Wilcox, watchman.



EMPLOYEES OF THE SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION, NASHVILLE, TENN.

the workers "Behind the Books" who manufacture them. Therefore, this is our apology for the accompanying cut which is a photograph of the workers at the Home Office of the Southern Publishing Association. Three of our members—Misses Adella King, Lillie McAlexander, and Lee Huguley—were not present when the picture was taken, as they were away on vacation.

Those sitting in chairs are officers and department heads. Reading from left to right they are as follows:

S. L. Jones, foreman of stock department; A. J. Stagg, foreman of pressroom; A. J. Frank, foreman of bindery; F. E.

### Our Literature Doing Its Work

A sister in Alabama writes: "You will doubtless remember me as the party who wrote to you sometime ago asking for information on the Sabbath question. I received the information through Elder Miller, and for some weeks have been keeping the seventh day. Brother ——— read the same tracts I did, and has also accepted present truth. His conversion to the seventh day comes purely from his study of the subject and after reading 'Daniel and the Revelation' and the tracts on the Sabbath. I was able to hold my position (in a bank) and ob-

serve the seventh day too, for which I am truly thankful as it enables me to remain with my mother."

This is but another evidence of the great work which our literature is accomplishing in winning souls to this message. Not always, however, do we see such quick results. But the Lord has said that he would set his hand to the work to cut it short in righteousness, and we may therefore expect to see much quicker returns in the future than we have in the past.

On the other hand we are told, "It is true that some who buy the books will lay them on the shelf or place them on the parlor table, and seldom look at them. Still God has a care for his truth, and the time will come when these books will be sought for and read." Quite a striking illustration of this truth has just come to our attention in a letter received from a gentleman in Oklahoma. From his letter we quote the following:

"I have been reading 'Daniel and the Revelation' and am convinced that the doctrines of the Adventists are right. I have had this book *four years*, but never read it until five months ago." He also writes that he is keeping the Sabbath, and desires to come in touch with our people so that he may learn more about the truth. Thus after lying idle, as it were, nearly four years, that copy of "Daniel and the Revelation" began to do its work. Surely the Lord does have a care for his truth, and will give a bountiful harvest in his own good time.

### Kentucky

The following is taken from a personal letter from Elder B. W. Brown, president of the Kentucky Conference:

"Now, in regard to our book work I will say that I am not at all satisfied at the way we have been making progress. We ought to have \$800 every week and it can be so if our workers will get their orders with God in some corner where none but he can hear. I know we can never finish this work without a deeper consecration, and I am urging all our workers to seek God in such a way that there will be no denial.

"Yes, I agree with you that we ought to keep in touch with each worker; and my plan has always been to write each colporteur just as often as the ministers, as I consider them workers just the same. I have written two letters this month to each of our workers, and that means colporteurs as well as preachers. Now, Brother Pierce, you can count on us doing all we can to push the work forward in this part of your territory. We have two new men starting this week and will have another next week, and still another the next. So we are adding new workers all the time. I have tried to hold before each worker the fact that we are not working for dollars but for souls."

These are indeed encouraging words from Brother Brown, and we believe they strike at the underlying principles of success in this work. In fact, it becomes more and more evident that it is the Lord alone who gives success in this work, and it is only as we relate ourselves to him and have a longing for the salvation of souls that we can hope for the best results.

### Delivering Books in War Times

Under the above heading in the Alabama news letter appears a timely article, written by Brother M. L. Wilson, from which we quote the following paragraphs:

"It has been a question with many of our people and some of the colporteurs, that even after we had taken the orders this year, could we deliver the books? It was my privilege to try out this question and see the true state of affairs.

"Brother Grant, one of our new colporteurs, was called away from his field by sickness, and it fell to my lot to make the delivery for him. I have never had better experiences since I have been in the colporteur work than I had in this delivery. The people were all ready and anxious for their books. I delivered every book but one, and it was only postponed until a later date and am sure it will be delivered. In four hours and a half I delivered \$38 worth, which, counting the time it took to take the

orders, gave \$1.56 per hour or a profit of seventy-three cents an hour, which for a ten-hour day would be \$7.33. Pretty good wages, to say the least! The Lord says, 'He that reapeth receiveth wages.' As thy faith, so be it unto thee. It is not the European war that hinders the work of God in the earth, but a lack of faith on the part of God's people.

"Let us pray, 'Lord, increase our faith' and in the strength of Jehovah march on to success."

### Arkansas

The following from Brother E. H. Wilcox, field agent of Arkansas, is so interesting that we take the liberty of passing it on to the readers of the WORKER:

"Elder Baxter and I had a real good experience at ———. We were stopping for the night at the Seigler apartment house. Brother Baxter had his wife and baby with him, and we thought we would stay there as we could do our own cooking and have a good place to stay. We were rather tired and were all retiring early. Brother Baxter was almost ready for bed when some one knocked at the door and he answered. It proved to be a lady wanting him to come up to see her husband. The man was Mr. ———. He is not a member of the Adventist Church, but believes in the truth. His wife is now keeping the Sabbath, but is not a church-member. Brother Baxter at first refused, but finally decided he had better go. He donned his clothes, and called on the lady and her husband in their apartments. After talking with him for a short time, the man presented Brother Baxter with a check for \$100 for the helping on of the work in Arkansas. The man also told Brother Baxter that if they would build a church at ——— he would give another hundred toward the building of it. We then had Brother Jenks call on the man a few days later, and he ordered one 'Bible Readings,' morocco, \$5; two 'Daniel and the Revelation,' marble, \$6; ten copies of 'Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation,' paper, \$3; and a dollar's worth of tracts. He also sold a Bible for \$2.80 cash, and a *Watchman* and a *Signs* for twenty cents, making in all \$17 worth of literature to one man. There is also opportunity now of getting to work the remainder of the apartment house. Truly the Lord is in the work, and we need to keep pace with the movement. We want to make the hills of Arkansas ring with the glad tidings of salvation during the year. We ask an interest in the prayers of the workers at the office."

### "Bible Readings"

The following from the Review and Herald in regard to the sale of "Bible Readings for the Home Circle" in their territory will doubtless be of interest to our workers. This report shows that "Bible Readings" is a good seller even in the "reserved East," as well as in the sunny South:

"First edition 10,000 copies; sold out in five months. Second edition 10,000 copies; selling at the rate of 2,000 copies per month. A large number of prospectuses are being sent out. Our first edition of prospectuses was 1,350 copies. These are nearly gone and we are going to press with another 1,000 edition. We have ordered paper for a third edition of 20,000 copies of the book, which must go to press in about thirty days."

R. L. PIERCE.

### "The Drive on the Dardanelles"

This is the title of a most interesting article in the *May Watchman* which is effectively illustrated by a striking cover design in colors. Another thing in the *May Watchman* which our people will appreciate is a full-page relief map showing the Dardanelles, Sea of Marmora, and Constantinople. This will be particularly helpful to those who have been keeping up with the newspaper reports of the attack now being made on the Dardanelles.

## Alabama Conference

### Conference Directory

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### Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Mar. 31	Amount Paid	To be Raised
450	\$1,170.00	\$242.61	\$927.39

### Sunset Calendar

Friday, April 16, sun sets..... 6:31

### Children of Abraham

"JESUS saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham." John 8:39. The words of Jesus in this text apply to every child of God. Listen! "If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham." There is no line of life to which this does not apply. Of Abraham the Lord says, "Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws." "Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham." Faith in Christ brings the believer into the line and lineage of Abraham and unites him with the family of heaven. It is said of the angelic part of the family, "Bless the Lord, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, harkening unto the voice of his word." Ps. 103:20. This is the same that the Lord said of Abraham, that he "obeyed my voice, and kept my . . . commandments." Since the children of Abraham do the works of Abraham, then the Lord says the same of every true child, that he obeys "my voice" and keeps "my commandments."

This is the class of children that the third angel's message develops. For God says of them, "Here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus."

But every professor is not a true believer, for the Saviour says, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." A mere profession is not sufficient. We must not only profess, but do the works of faithful Abraham. I wonder how many present-day professors would come up to the standard. Let us consider one line, and see how near we come to reaching the standard of faithfulness in just one line. It is said of Abraham, when Melchisedec met him on his return from the slaughter of the kings, "And he gave him tithes of all." Abraham was a true tithe-payer. Remember, the children of Abraham do the works of Abraham. "If ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed." Then the true child of God is a tithe-payer. How many professors of today are tithe-payers? The treasurers' books of the different churches will reveal who are tithe-payers and who are not. It would surprise you to look over the treasurer's book in many churches and see who really pay tithe. Every elder should frequently look over the treasurer's book of his flock and help every professor in his fold to be a true child of Abraham. How can the Master say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," if we have not been faithful in rendering to the Lord his own? The Lord will say to the faithful, "Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

A. L. MILLER.

### News Items

SISTER HARRIET C. FULLER, a member of our Conference Church, writes from the North that she is of good courage and feels the necessity of drawing closer to the Lord as the end draws near. In her letter she inclosed tithe, mission, Sabbath School, and colored work offerings.

A request comes from a gentleman in Norfolk, Va., for a sample assortment of tracts. Inquiries reach this office from the four quarters of the United States, showing that the people are beginning to awake and want to know what these things mean. If you have friends or relatives that you cannot reach personally with our literature, let us send them a catalog and perhaps that will awaken an interest with no prejudice.

The Sabbath School department in Spain has ordered from the Review and Herald a supply of the *Worker* Memory Verse Cards with only the colored pictures printed on them; then the text will be printed on them in the Spanish language. This shows the wide use of the Memory Verse Cards, and the Sabbath Schools in Alabama who are not using them are depriving their children of advantages which they should have. At five cents a set these cards are placed within the reach of every scholar. They are as necessary for the little ones as the Sabbath School *Quarterlies* are for the seniors. Be fair to your children.

In February, 1914, 850 copies of the *Temperance Instructor* were ordered for the foreign fields. For February, this year, the foreign orders amounted to 4,342 copies. The State of Alabama ordered one thousand copies during the same month. The total number of *Temperance Instructors* sent out by the publishers during the month of February was 101,450. How many copies did you use?

March 12 the State of Alabama was receiving one hundred and seventy copies of each issue of the *Signs* weekly. This number should be greatly increased, and if you are not receiving at least one copy per week you are missing a real treat. Pass your copy on to your neighbor when you have read it.

An advance notice from the Review and Herald announces the publication of a new book, "Shadow of the Bottle," which in size and price is the same as "The World's Crisis."

When telling your friends and neighbors about "The World's Crisis" tell them that it is one of the best selling books of the day. One hundred thousand copies sold within two months of the time of its issuance. Remember the quantity price is \$1.40 for ten copies postpaid anywhere in the Alabama Conference.

The Present Truth Extras No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3 are having a ready sale. We plan to keep a stock of these here in the office ready to fill your orders on short notice. Postage stamps accepted in payment.

### Cardinal Gibbons Quoted

"Less than a year ago a man was called a crank if he said the end of the world was at hand. How different now! Frequently an item by some prominent person is seen in the newspapers, or perhaps a cartoon, suggesting that this greatest of events is about to take place." Cardinal Gibbons was quoted in the San Francisco *Examiner* a few days ago, as follows: "We cannot grasp its magnitude, or what it means (referring to Europe's war). Does it not seem that the Scriptures are being fulfilled—'nation shall rise against nation, and there shall be sorrows throughout the world, and then shall the end come?'"

Is it any wonder that the *Signs Magazine* is in demand? Such utterances will set thousands to thinking, and their minds will be most receptive to the truth. A great opportunity awaits us. The April number of the *Signs Magazine* answers many of those questions now being asked by the people. It is a good number, and deserves a large circulation.

## Kentucky Conference

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### Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Mar. 31	Amount Paid	To Be Raised
426	<b>\$1,107.60</b>	<b>\$476.07</b>	<b>\$631.53</b>

### Sunset Calendar

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### News Items

ELDER BROWN held a three days' meeting with the Grove Church the past week. The quarterly meeting was held at the same time, and three persons were added to the church.

Brother Jesse Miller, who has been in our conference for some time selling the printed page, has gone to his home in Kansas.

Brother E. Harp, who has sold his home and stock to enter the colporteur work, sends in a good report and states that he has received the greatest blessing he ever experienced in all his life in telling the people of the message.

Brother Winston reports three additions to the Shelby Street Church in Louisville, the past week. He states that the interest seems to be increasing every week.

Brother R. O. Diehl and wife of the Grove Church have gone to Kansas to spend the summer.

Elder Lawrence reports an increase in the offerings at the colored church in Louisville the past quarter, the thirteenth-Sabbath offering being \$43.

Sister M. Shomburg of Louisville sends in a good report from the white church in that city.

Brother O. A. Dow reports the work onward at Sewellton. Plans have been laid to build a church. We are glad for this report.

Brother J. W. Wheeler of Nicholasville visited with the Grove Church and was present at their quarterly meeting.

Word received from Brother White of Covington brings a good report of the work in that place. The mission offerings of the Tri-City Church have been the best per capita in the conference so far this year.

Brother Hickman spent Sabbath, April 3, with the churches in Louisville. He went from there to assist Brother Michael with his delivery.

A letter received from Brother C. W. Vermillion brings words of courage. He expects to sell the good book "Bible Readings" from now on. He will work Breathitt County.

Elder Lindsay reports the addition of three persons to the Louisville Church recently, also that the attendance at the regular services continues good.

Several new prospectuses have been sent out the past week. We are in the time when God's work will soon be finished. Now is the time to work.

Brother Osterman of Bowling Green reports five new Sabbath-keepers since the first of the year.

Brother D. R. Allman has located his family in Richmond, and will soon be ready to put in full time selling "Daniel and the Revelation" again.

Sister Todd, secretary of the missionary society of the Louis-

ville Church, sends a good report of the work done by that church the past quarter.

Brother and Sister T. L. Bryant of Bowling Green visited at the home of Brother M. Wheeler of Grove the past week.

Sister Hammond of Salyersville sends in a good missionary report, and writes that one person has begun to keep the Sabbath the past month through reading our literature.

Brother James Myers of Lexington has sold his property, and will locate his family in Florida. We wish him success in his new home.

Brother R. Eason and wife of Lexington recently made a missionary visit to Lancaster, where they have been sending the *Signs of the Times*. They send a good report of the interest they found to hear more of the truth.

"The World's Crisis," that new book, a bright, up-to-date publication for home missionary work, is greatly in demand. The price is only twelve and one-half cents if ten or more copies are ordered at once.

Sister Anna Hornung writes that she has more readers than she can handle. It is encouraging to see the people learn the truth.

Brother and Sister Jacobs recently visited the Grove Church. They report a new Sabbath-keeper at Stanford.

Sister Bom of Henderson sends in a good missionary report, and makes an appeal for meetings to be held in that place.

Word received from Sister Cannon of Marion brings information that Brother Cannon is very sick. We are sorry to hear this, and trust that he will recover soon if it is God's will.

Remember that our mission funds are behind and it is very important that we do all we can to raise this fund. Please keep this in mind and let every church do their best to raise their twenty cents a week per capita.

Please remember to pray for the colporteurs who are out selling the printed page. Prayer alone can sell our books in this time.

Brother H. Ethington, who has been selling "Daniel and the Revelation" in Mercer County, visited the Grove Church and spent Sabbath, April 3.

Brother Winston is holding a series of meetings in the Shelby Street church in Louisville.

### In Galicia the Bible Is Burned

"COLPORTEUR JENDRNY at Myslowitz, a point where the empires of Germany, Austria, and Russia meet, has been busy with the emigrants passing through the important junction. He met hundreds of able-bodied men from Galicia. They told him that such books as his were burnt in their country. 'No wonder,' replied Jendrny, 'that you are so far behind in Austria. In more enlightened countries wood and coal are burnt. In Galicia you burn the book from which all can be learned that makes men wise, happy, and contented.'—*B. F. B. S., Report 108th (1912), p. 51.*

### Bengel's Principles of Scripture Interpretation

"THE principles of interpretation as stated by himself, were 'to put nothing into the Scriptures, but to draw everything from them, and suffer nothing to remain hidden that is really in them.'—*Sanford's "Cyclopedia of Religious Knowledge," art., "Bengel," p. 96.*

### "Abide in Him"

"THE prisoner who at any time went outside the city of refuge was abandoned to the avenger of blood. . . . Even so, it is not enough that the sinner believe in Christ for pardon of sin; he must, by faith and obedience, abide in him."—*"Patriarchs and Prophets," p. 517.*

## Louisiana Conference

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### Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Mar. 31	Amount Paid	To be Raised
387	\$1,006.20	\$258.51	\$747.69

### Sunset Calendar

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### A Good Missionary Experience

A SISTER in sending in her quarterly missionary report says, referring first to one who had been brought into the truth through her missionary correspondence:

"I received a letter from Sister ———, saying she had good tidings for me. Her brother has accepted the whole truth, and is keeping the Sabbath. Her husband has begun to change for the better, and says if he could get work he would keep the Sabbath."

Farther on in her letter she says, "I went out to do a little missionary work. I found one precious soul very much alarmed over the signs of the times. I find the people always glad to get our literature."

Write us your experiences. They may encourage others to work for souls.  
 R. W. PARMELE.

### News Items

SABBATH, April 3, a goodly number of believers and friends met on the bank of the Mississippi River while eleven went forward in baptism, who, we trust, will be a real help and strength to the New Orleans Church No. 2.

Brother H. H. Hall spent a few hours at the office while passing through New Orleans on a trip in the interest of the Pacific Press Publishing Association.

Elder Lowry recently made a trip to Bogalusa in search of a place to locate, having sold his property at Simsboro, wishing to settle where there are more opportunities for missionary efforts. He made the office at New Orleans a very pleasant visit on his return.

Mrs. S. B. Horton is still in New Orleans, visiting friends and relatives, and renewing old acquaintances.

The secretary of the Welsh Sabbath School writes, "The school here at Welsh is getting along fine. Our membership is increasing so rapidly that we have to keep on organizing new classes right along, so kindly send me several class-record cards as soon as possible.

A good sister at DeRidder writes: "You will find enclosed fifty cents for ten April *Watchman*. I had very good success with the March number. I was not able to get out much, but sold them right at home. I am sure the Lord is blessing in our efforts for him."

What better missionary work can we find than placing this truth-laden magazine in the hands of our friends and neighbors?

The following comes from Brother Turner: "The Lord willing, I shall start out this coming week fresh and full of courage, as the third angel's message was never plainer or my hope

brighter than now. With the Lord's help I am determined to put in better time and sell more books this year than I did last. Pray for my success."

The hearty cooperation of the churches and isolated members when the special six months' *Signs* weekly campaign was first launched, is very much appreciated, and now that many of these subscriptions are about to expire, we trust that those who sent them in will not delay in renewing for the same and entering other new subscriptions. A good many have already been received at the office, and we trust that all will take advantage of this splendid opportunity to spread the light of the third angel's message.

We quote the following from Professor M. E. Kern: "I feel it a privilege to express to you my personal appreciation of the work of your young people last year. As you of course know, they went beyond three items of their goal. While they did not reach the mark of finances, I feel that they did quite well. Brother Knox has expressed his appreciation of the work of our young people along this line. Doubtless with the experience of 1914 to build on, and with a better system of reporting, your Missionary Volunteers will be able to make every part of the goal this year. One reason why some have not shown up better is the failure to get proper reports.

"As you doubtless know, the Louisiana Missionary Volunteers have been assigned for 1915:

- 5 new Standard of Attainment members.
- 10 young people added to the church and the Missionary Volunteer Society.
- 10 young people to read the Bible through.
- 15 Reading Course certificates.
- \$192.50 for foreign missions. They have been asked to give this money for the support of a native worker in Burma."

### Obituary

MORRISON.—Mary C. Sharp-Morrison was born at Mt. Pleasant, Henry County, Iowa, May 3, 1849, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stegall of Welsh, La., March 29, 1915.

On August 27, 1868, she was united in marriage to Mr. Francis H. Morrison. To this union were born six children, four sons and two daughters, three of whom survive her.

Her parents accepted the truths taught by the Seventh-day Adventists when she was but fourteen years of age. Soon afterward she also joined this body, remaining a faithful member of that church until the day of her death.

The early workers in the cause were frequent visitors at her home, she being one of the early pioneers in the message.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from 1 Thess. 4: 13.  
 R. W. PAUL.

### Meetings Closed

OUR series of meetings which was held at the Seventh-day Adventist church No. 2 of New Orleans, closed last Sabbath. The attendance from non-members was good throughout the meetings. Two joined the church, and others are interested. Some of the interested ones are attending the Sabbath services. The writer and the Bible workers have their hands full in visiting and reading with these newly interested ones.

Elder Sydney Scott left Sunday morning for Meridian, Miss. We wish him Godspeed.  
 T. B. BUCKNER.

REASONS why the May number of the *Signs Magazine* should have a wide circulation: In the light of Bible prophecy it tells about the future of the church; the future of the nations; the future war—Armageddon; the future of the earth; Turkey's future; and our future reward. Each thought an article, and a strong one too. A splendid number for thinking people.

## Mississippi Conference

### Conference Directory

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### Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Mar. 31	Amount Paid	To Be Raised
311	\$808.60	\$179.95	\$628.65

### Sunset Calendar

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### News Notes

WE HAVE NOW received the 200 books, "The Cross and Its Shadow," by S. N. Haskell, which were donated to the church and conference building fund. Every member both in the conference and mission should have one of these books, and when he has read it through should lend it to his neighbors. I hope every one who reads this notice will immediately secure one of these truth-filled books. By getting only one it will cost \$1.25, but by taking as many as ten, they will cost only \$1 each. If the church-members will band together, by taking as many as ten they can secure them at the low rate.

On May 1 there will be a special collection for the Graysville School. Some of the teachers are to be paid by this special offering, so let us make a liberal donation. If I mistake not, this is the first call that has come in behalf of this worthy educational institution of ours at Graysville.

Elder Sydney Scott called at the office last week after spending Sabbath with the Meridian Church. He went from here to Yazoo City to spend a few days.

Elder James Morrow spent Sabbath with the church at Ellisville.

Elder Wiest conducted quarterly meeting with the Jackson Church Sabbath. The service proved to be uplifting and inspiring to the members and also to the outsiders that were present.

Elder Wiest expects to spend next Sabbath and Sunday with the company at Natchez.

Elder Lowry, the former president of the Mississippi Conference, called at the office the first of the week as he was passing through Jackson.

Mrs. Virgil Smith has returned home from the hospital and her health is being restored rapidly.

### Hardened Pharaoh's Heart

"THERE was no exercise of supernatural power to harden the heart of the king. God gave to Pharaoh the most striking evidence of divine power; but the monarch stubbornly refused to heed the light. Every display of infinite power, rejected by him, rendered him the more determined in his rebellion. The seeds of rebellion that he sowed when he rejected the first miracle, produced their harvest. As he continued to venture on in his own course, going from one degree of stubbornness to another, his heart became more and more hardened, until he was called to look upon the cold, dead faces of the first-born."  
 —"Patriarchs and Prophets," p. 268.

## Tennessee River Conference

### Conference Directory

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### Twenty-Cent-a-Week Fund

Membership	Quota to Mar. 31	Amount Paid	To Be Raised
699	\$1,817.40	\$504.56	\$1,312.84

### Sunset Calendar

Friday, April 16, sun sets . . . . . 6:39

### Tract Society Sales Report for Year 1914

Subscription Books . . . . .	\$667 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> 22
Home Workers' Books . . . . .	121 68
Other Books . . . . .	307 04
Bibles . . . . .	288 69
Tracts . . . . .	199 38
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1356 95
Periodicals . . . . .	1807 52
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>\$10752 48</b>

#### BY MONTHS

January . . . . .	\$ 277 12
February . . . . .	638 69
March . . . . .	684 39
April . . . . .	1217 09
May . . . . .	521 85
June . . . . .	660 73
July . . . . .	474 38
August . . . . .	421 70
September . . . . .	1344 08
October . . . . .	2431 76
November . . . . .	1238 17
December . . . . .	842 52
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>\$10752 48</b>

### Home Missionary Endeavor in Nashville

IMMEDIATELY following the stirring talks given by Elder Paap during the Bookmen's Convention last winter, the Young People's Society organized for active home missionary work. A standing committee of three was appointed to lay plans for the effort and to consider ways and means for work. It was recommended by this committee, of which the writer was a member, that the Society be divided into three bands, namely, gospel workers, literature, and Christian help; each of the members of the appointed committee to act as the leader of one of these bands, and it was left with the young people to join either band they desired. This plan was adopted.

The literature band immediately set to work with *The Watchman*, *Signs* weekly, and *Liberty* to do their part of the work. A club of twenty-five *Watchman* and proportionate clubs of other magazines were ordered, and many openings were soon found in conspicuous public places for the disposal of these

silent messengers. It was planned to use the *Signs* weekly in connection with their missionary correspondence.

The Christian Help band laid plans at once to provide clothing for the needy, raise flowers for bouquets, and attend to miscellaneous lines of work that might fall to them.

The Gospel Workers found a little more difficult situation to overcome, as the available material for the holding of cottage meetings and giving of Bible readings was not sufficiently experienced to begin work alone at once. It was decided that it would be best to unite with the church missionary society in their missionary endeavor in order to gain the necessary experience. By this plan it was intended that our young people should attend cottage meetings with the older men until the necessary experience was gained. We would then be better able to make a success when we began meetings of our own.

In order to facilitate the work a committee consisting of the leader of the young people's gospel workers' band and two from the church missionary society were appointed to arrange definitely for the location of our meetings and the individuals to have charge of each. Plenty of openings for meetings were found and it was more a question of help than location that troubled the committee. However, the people took hold of the plans with enthusiasm, and soon a number of regular studies were being held.

I believe the Spirit of the Lord is with those who are taking hold of his work in this city. The people are anxious for the truth, and I am sure souls will be the reward of the faithful workers here. The prayers of God's people are needed that the work will not lag, but that it may prosper in this great city.

WALTER F. SCHULTZ.

**Colporteurs' Report Southern Union Conference for Week Ending April 3, 1915**

ALABAMA CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
M L Ivory	D&R	94	4	\$12 00	\$ 25	\$12 25	\$
R T Jacks	BR	28	8	25 00	70	25 70	
Ralph Meade	BR	13	10	31 00		31 00	6 00
Mrs M Miller	stoc	8	2	1 50		1 50	
C L Ryals	BR	35	9	29 00	75	29 75	
J W Wade	BR	25	2	6 00	1 40	7 40	
Bertha Waters	WC	6	13		3 25	3 25	
Ernest Waters	GC	14	5	17 00		17 00	
N H Waters	BF	6	4	6 00		6 00	

Totals (Agts. 9) 229 57 \$127 50 \$ 6 35 \$133 85 \$ 6 00

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
Jacob White	BR	22		\$51 00	\$	\$51 00	\$29 00
E Harp	BR	40	8	24 00		24 00	
Mary Aldridge	BR	40	13	39 00		39 00	
W G Michael	BR	47	11	33 00		33 00	
H E Beck	D&R	16	7	21 00	75	21 75	
K T Harris	BR	8	3	11 00		11 00	
R W Harris	BR	42	19	59 00		59 00	
P M Winkler	D&R	28			5 25	5 25	51 00
Lytha Ramey	BF	20	3	3 50	1 85	5 35	
Mary Ramey	BF	17	3	3 00		3 00	
Coleman Kindred	BR	20			1 50	1 50	18 00
H Ethington	D&R	23	2	6 00	1 35	7 35	
J R Staton	D&R	27	9	28 00	1 50	29 50	1 50
JB Reichenbach	BR	40	7	23 00		23 00	4 00
Luther Bowles	BR	41	21	63 00		63 00	
Bibles				19 20		19 20	
Miscellaneous				113 47		113 47	113 47

Totals (Agts. 15) 431 106 \$497 17 \$12 20 \$509 37 \$216 97

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
R W Paul	BR	27	9	\$28 00	\$ 1 50	\$29 50	\$
Jas Turner	BR	8	5	15 00		15 00	
J T Wheeler	BR	19		4 85	6 00	10 85	64 00
S Broussard	BR	48	13	40 00	5 85	45 85	
HH McGilvery	PP&F	36	38	83 00		83 00	

Totals (Agts. 5) 138 66 \$170 85 \$13 35 \$184 20 \$64 00

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
Emily Billups	PP&F	35	24	\$36 00	\$	\$36 00	\$
John Campbell	PP&F	26	4	9 00	2 10	11 10	
C Chastain	BR	35	18	58 00		58 00	11 00
Elmer Chastain	BR	20	15	51 00	1 80	52 80	3 00
Nevie L Ford	CK	7	3	4 50		4 50	
Annie M Finley	PP&F	25	13	32 00	1 75	33 75	
C A Howard	BR	19	21	63 00		63 00	16 00

W H Haddon	BR	12	3	7 00		60	7 60
Ella Johnson	PP&F	23	28	46 00		70	46 70
Hattie Jacob	CK	1		1 50			1 50 2 50
M A Murphy	PP&F	18	14	31 00			31 00
M McMullan	BF; PP&F 40	44		54 95		1 40	56 35
Lou J McElroy	PP&F	30	17	24 50		2 00	26 50 8 00
M E Stafford	CK	22	22	33 00			33 00
E A Taylor	BR	36	33	102 00		3 05	105 05
Annie Watts	PP&F	16	17	34 00		1 40	35 40

Totals (Agts. 16) 364 277 \$587 45 \$14 80 \$602 25 \$40 50

TENNESSEE RIVER CONFERENCE							
Name	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Value	Helps	Total	Deliv.
Frieda Fleisher	GC	33	4	\$12 00	\$	\$12 00	\$
Inez Frisby	BF	29	2	2 00			2 00
Mrs M Hinds	CK	29	7	10 50		5 05	15 55
R H Hazelton	GC	45	4	8 00		1 55	9 55
L F Lambert	D&R	20					30 00
J H Parrott	D&R	18					23 00
W B Tyus	BF	40	9	13 50		1 90	15 40 3 50
E C Widgery	D&R	15	1	3 00			3 00
J A Young	GC	34	14	42 00		1 90	43 90

Totals (Agts. 9) 263 41 \$91 00 \$10 40 \$101 40 \$56 50

G'd Totals (A. 54) 1407 547 \$1473 97 \$57 10 \$1531 07 \$383 97

**Summary from January 1 to Date**

Conference	Orders	Helps	Deliveries
Alabama Conference	\$1160 75	\$ 43 45	\$ 174 75
Kentucky Conference	4483 37	192 10	2165 14
Louisiana Conference	1842 05	73 75	279 00
Mississippi Conference	2546 70	97 85	890 90
Tenn. River Conference	1333 35	259 75	790 85

Totals \$11365 92 \$ 666 90 \$4300 64

**Magazine Agents' Report Week Ending April 3, 1915**

Agent	ALABAMA CONFERENCE	No.	Value
M L Ivory		18	\$ 1 80
Mrs Mollie Miller		5	25
Bertha Waters		8	80
KENTUCKY CONFERENCE			
C L Hornung		50	5 00
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE			
Lura Reed		57	5 70
Bethel Mann		40	4 00
Totals		178	\$ 17 55

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Membership	Quota to Mar. 31	Amount Paid	To Be Raised
2273	\$5,909.80	\$1,661.70	\$4,248.10

## Camp-meeting Dates for the Southern Union

Tennessee River	July 23-August 1
Kentucky	August 13-22
Alabama, Birmingham	August 20-29
Mississippi, Laurel	August 27-September 5
Educational Council, Graysville	August 6-14

## Pertaining to the Union

### News Notes

WORD has just been received from Brother H. G. Miller, who has been working in Alabama for the past few months, that because of the serious illness of his aged mother, he has been called to Sterling, Colorado. She is in her ninetieth year, and can hardly be expected to recover. We are sure his many friends in the South will remember Brother Miller in this sad hour. He assures us that he has left this field and his work only temporarily.

Elder Wight left Nashville Monday, April 12, for Hazel, Ky., to attend the Tennessee River Conference Committee meeting to be held at that place.

Brother J. W. Davis is now at the Hazel Academy conducting an institute for the students who are going into the field this summer. Brother I. C. Pound, the Tennessee field agent, is also one of the instructors.

Elder Sydney Scott returned to Nashville Wednesday, April 7, after an extended trip in Louisiana and Mississippi.

FOR SALE, 320 acres of land about one mile from the rail-road station at Elkwood, Alabama. About 75 acres cleared. Any one wishing a portion or all of this land can secure it of the Southern Union Conference. Address any inquiry with regard to this land to the Southern Union Conference, 511 Cole Bldg., Nashville, Tenn.

FOR SALE, a Krell piano, as good as new, with a dark mahogany case. Cost when new, \$450. Will be delivered on board train at Nicholasville, Ky., for \$165. Any one interested should address Mr. James Hickman, Nicholasville, Ky.

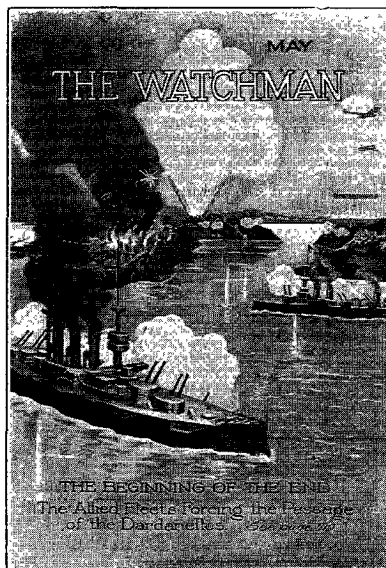
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## The May "Watchman"



PROBABLY the most significant event in the present struggle in Europe is the drive on the Dardanelles by the Allied fleets. For its true meaning, read the article on this subject in the May *Watchman*.

Some of the other articles contained in this issue are as follows:

"The Beginning of the End."

"Never Again!"

"Shadows of a Coming Event."

"Will There Be Peace?"

"When Constantinople Falls."

"Aftermath of the Hearing on the Anti-Free Press Bills."

Five to forty copies, five cents each; fifty or more, four cents each. Single copy, ten cents.

Order now of your tract society.

## "Health and Temperance"

WITH the June issue, *Life and Health* will appear under a new name—*Health and Temperance*, indicating the close relation existing between temperance and bodily health.

*Health and Temperance* will stand for temperance in its broader sense, including mental and bodily purity, and the non-use of flesh, tea, coffee, tobacco, alcohol, and narcotic drugs.

Among the departments to be added are: Christian Temperance, Bible Hygiene, and School of Health, the last dealing with home treatment of the sick, nursing, diet, dress, and general hygiene.

Any one desiring to receive a leaflet containing an extract from Sister White's forthcoming book on health, "Gospel Workers," or wanting to know more about the health magazine, should address

HEALTH AND TEMPERANCE,  
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Will the plan to form an International Supreme Court to preserve peace succeed? The article, "Will There Be Peace?" in the May *Watchman* will answer the question.